

REMARKS

By way of the foregoing amendments, the title has been amended to conform to the English language translation. The Abstract has been added to conform the application to PCT application No. PCT/FR03/02608. Claims 1-16 have been canceled and new claims 17-40 have been added. No new matter has been introduced by these changes.

It is requested that the application be examined on the basis of the title, the Abstract, and the claims as amended.

Should any questions arise in connection with this application, the undersigned respectfully requests that he be contacted at the number indicated below.

Respectfully submitted,

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